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3. International Patent Application Publication No. 01/15231, published March 1, 2001.
4. United States Patent No. 6,072,699, issued June 6, 2000.
5. United States Patent No. 6,433,422, issued August 13, 2002.
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7. United States Patent No. 5,616,954, issued April 1, 1997.
8. United States Patent No. 5,717,245, issued February 10, 1998.
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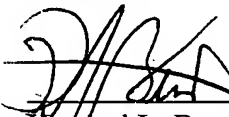
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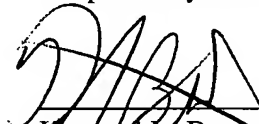
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